

# Children’s Medicaid Health and Behavioral Health System Transformation Update



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## 1 Transformation Materials

The [Children and Family Treatment and Support Services Manual](#) was released on June 20<sup>th</sup>. This manual is a guide for the six children’s health and behavioral health Medicaid State Plan services. In addition, the [Children’s Health and Behavioral Health Services – Children’s Medicaid System Transformation Billing and Coding Manual](#) was released on June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Other materials will be released this summer, including an updated HCBS Manual, and the Policy Paper. All will be posted on the [Department’s website](#).

## 2 Children’s Transition Timeline Update:

On June 21, 2018, CMS communicated to the State that they are now requiring the State to take a different technical approach to the federal authorization framework for implementing the Children’s Transition to Medicaid Managed Care. CMS continues to support the move to managed care, and is committed to working with the State to identify mechanisms for the State to implement the elements of the design of the Children’s Transition. To meet CMS’ requirements for the new authorization framework, the State has proposed an alternative approach which now includes seeking concurrent consolidated 1915(c) waiver and 1115 waiver authorities. Based on the work required to draft new documents and receive CMS approvals, the State expects certain elements of the design, as outlined in the chart below, to be delayed by three months. The State is continuing to work with CMS to obtain their conceptual agreement on the proposed, revised approach, and the timeline for receiving CMS approvals and implementing the elements of the design. The State Plan Services, recently rebranded as Children and Family Treatment and Support Services, will be implemented as scheduled. The State will continue to keep stakeholders updated on the status of discussions with CMS and the impact on expected timelines.

| Draft, Preliminary Timeline* Subject to CMS Conceptual Agreement and Approvals   | Current Date                              | Preliminary Draft Date* |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| Implement three of six new Children and Family Treatment and Support Services (Other Licensed Practitioner, Psychosocial Rehabilitation, Community Psychiatric Treatment and Supports) | January 1, 2019                           | Unchanged               |
| Transition to Health Home Begins   | October 1, 2018                           | January 1, 2019         |
| 1915(c) Children’s Consolidated Waiver*, new array of HCBS in Managed Care, remove exemption and exclusion for 1915(c) Consolidated Waiver children from Managed Care                  | January 1, 2019 (achieved w/1915 to 1115) | April 1, 2019           |
| Implement Family Peer Supports State Plan Service  | July 1, 2019                              | Unchanged               |
| Three year phase in of Level of Care (LOC)   | July 1, 2019                              | Unchanged               |
| Behavioral Health Benefits to Managed Care   | July 1, 2019                              | Unchanged               |
| Foster Care Population to Managed Care   | July 1, 2019                              | Unchanged               |
| Implement Remaining New State Plan Services - Youth Peer Support and Training and Crisis Intervention  | January 1, 2020                           | Unchanged               |

\*Subject to availability of Global Cap Resources and timely CMS and other State Approvals  
All Foster Care Children will move to Managed Care in July

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### Did you know?

The Children and Family Treatment and Support Services had 527 attendees and the HCBS trainings had 484 attendees, combining for over 1,000 individuals at the 9 training sessions held across the state from May 30<sup>th</sup> - June 25<sup>th</sup>!

## 3 Trainings Around the State

State Agencies have completed the Children and Family Treatment and Support Services trainings, as well as the HCBS trainings. The slides for the HCBS training have been posted on the department's website, located below.

Still to come are additional Health Home trainings, a full schedule for which will be released shortly.

In addition, the State is continuing with webinars on the HCBS eligibility determination process, the role of the Independent Entity, and HCBS capacity management. Dates for the webinars will be released as they are scheduled released through the listservs; directions on how to sign up for the listservs can be found at the end of this document.

| Date    | Topic   | Location      |
|---------|---|---------------|
| July 16 | <a href="#">MCTAC Billing Training for Children's System Transformation</a> | New York City |
| July 19 | <a href="#">MCTAC Billing Training for Children's System Transformation</a> | Albany        |
| July 23 | CANS-NY Supervisory Training  | Buffalo       |
| July 24 | CANS-NY Supervisory Training  | Lowville      |
| July 24 | <a href="#">MCTAC Billing Training for Children's System Transformation</a> | Buffalo       |
| July 25 | CANS-NY Supervisory Training  | Binghamton    |
| July 25 | <a href="#">MCTAC Billing Training for Children's System Transformation</a> | Elmira        |
| July 26 | <a href="#">MCTAC Billing Training for Children's System Transformation</a> | Syracuse      |
| July 31 | CANS-NY (Managed Care Plans)  | Albany        |

➤ Sign up for our listservs below:

[Health Homes](#)

[Children's Managed Care](#)

[Medicaid Redesign Team \(MRT\)](#)

### Links to prior trainings/webinars:

- [HCBS Training slides](#)
- [Children and Family Treatment and Support Services Training slides](#)
- [Managed Care Technical Assistance Center of New York \(MCTAC\)](#)
- [Draft HCBS Workflow webinar slides](#)
- [Background Checks and Mandated Reporter webinar slides](#)